

Amendments to the Specification

Please delete the title appearing on the front page of the PCT publication and insert the following new title:

**ON-LINE SERVICE PROVISION METHOD, AND EQUIPMENT FOR
IMPLEMENTING SUCH A METHOD**

At page 1, please insert the following new paragraph below the title:

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is the U.S. national phase of the PCT/FR2003/002928 filed October 6, 2003, which claims the benefit of French Application No. 02 14210 filed November 13, 2002, the entire content of which is incorporated herein by reference.

At page 1, between lines 2 and 3, insert the following section heading:

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

At page 4, between lines 3 and 4, insert the following section heading:

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

At page 11, between lines 21 and 22, insert the following section heading:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 11, line 22 with the following amended paragraph:

~~Other features and advantages of the present invention will become apparent from the description below of non-limiting exemplary embodiments, with reference to the appended drawings, in which:~~

- figure 1 is a diagram of a system according to the invention and its environment;
- figure 2 is a diagram illustrating operations implemented in an exemplary system according to the invention for keeping an atomic section indicator up-to-date; and
- figure 3 is a flow diagram of a communication interrupt request processing procedure that can be used in a system according to the invention.

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At page 12, before line 1, insert the following section heading:

DESCRIPTION OF PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS